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1. BRITISH EMBOFF (RUSSELL) CALLED JULY 10 SAYING UK

PREFERS TO HOLD NEXT TRILATERAL IN LONDON. BRITISH BELIEVE THIS IS ALSO ACCEPTABLE TO THE FRG. WE NOTE FROM REF B THAT RUTH MADE NO MENTION OF VENUE. BRITISH REASONS FOR PREFERRING LONDON RELATES PRIMARILY TO TICKELL'S OWN SCHEDULE. (TICKELL INTENDS TO CHAIR BRITISH SIDE). BRITISH OFFER LUNCHEON IN LONDON AND MEETINGS ON AFTERNOON OF FRIDAY 18TH. FURTHERMORE, BRITISH ARE AWARE THAT AMBASSADOR RESOR INTENDS TO BE IN BRUSSELS JULY 18 AND EXPECT THAT HE WILL LEAD THE US SIDE. THEY PLANNED AFTERNOON DISCUSSION AND LUNCHEON WITH THAT IN MIND.

- 2. WE DREW ON PARA 1, REFTEL A, POINTING OUT THAT US CONTINUES TO STRONGLY PREFER BRUSSELS VENUE. YOU SHOULD SO INFORM TICKELL CITING AS REASON THAT IT WOULD BE VERY INCONVENIENT FOR AMBASSADOR RESOR TO COME TO LONDON. WE COULD AGREE TO AFTERNOON MEETING IN BRUSSELS IN ORDER TO ACCOMMODATE TICKELL'S SCHEDULE.
- 3. US SIDE CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT IT IS IMPORTANT FOR DELEGATION TO SPEAK FROM INSTRUCTED COMMENTS. WE THERE-FORE STRONGLY URGE BRITISH AND GERMANS TO SEND PAPERS REQUESTED REF A TO WASHINGTON BY JULY 14, AS VALUE OF TRILATERALS WOULD BE CONSIDERABLY ENHANCED BY INSTRUCTED DISCUSSION OF UK/FRG PAPERS. WE ALSO AGREE WITH RUTH THAT US SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDANCE WOULD BE USEFUL SUBJECT FOR DISCUSSION.
- 4. WE ANTICIPATE THAT US EXPERTS FROM WASHINGTON WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR MEETINGS THAT WEEK. INGERSOLL

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